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TO THE KERRIER RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 1946.

KERRIER RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL is the most Southerly Local Government division in England comprising the whole of the Lizard Peninsula and adjoining the Districts of Falmouth, Penryn, Truro (Rural) Camborne, Redruth and West Penwith.

It contains 21 parishes (of which 11 are coastal and 10 are inland) having a total area of 90,799 acres (142 square miles), and with an estimated population of 18,210

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS:

There were 353 Live Births in the District (181 Male and 172 Female) giving a Birth rate of 19.4 per 1,000 of the population.

There were 6 Still Births in the District, giving a rate of 0.4 per 1,000 of the population.

DEATHS.

There were 296 Deaths in the area (147 Male and 149 Female) giving a Death rate of 16.25 per 1,000.

(England and Wales 11.5 per 1,000)

The numbers and causes of Deaths are set out in Table I.

TABLE I.

	M.	F.		M.	F.
1. Typhoid & Para Typhoid	-	-	18. Intracranial boscular Lesions.	9	15
2. Cerebrospinal Fever.	-	-	19. Heart Disease.	46	48
3. Scarlet Fever.	-	-	20. Other Diseases Circ: System.	2	2
4. Whooping Cough.	1	-	21. Bronchitis.	5	7
5. Diphtheria.	-	1	22. Pneumonia.	6	1
6. Tubercolosis Respiratory.	3	8	23. Other Resp. Diseases	2	2
7. Tubercolosis Other Forms.	2	1	24. Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum.	-	-
8. Syphilitis Diseases.	-	2	25. Diorrhea, under 2 yrs.	-	-
9. Influenza.	-	1	26. Appendicitis.	2	1
10. Measles.	-	-	27. Other Digestive Diseases	2	4
11. Polyomyelitis & Polio Encephalitis	-	-	28. Nephritis.	8	1
12. Acute Infective.	-	-	29. Puerpural & Post Abortive Sepsis.	-	-
13. Cancer of Mouth, Gullet(M) Womb (F).	3	4	30. Other Maternal Causes.	-	1
14. Cancer of Stomach & Duodenum	5	4	31. Premature Birth.	5	1
15. Cancer of Breast.	-	1	32. Birth Injuries and Infantile Diseases.	1	1
16. Cancer of all other sites	18	16	33. Suicide.	3	-
17. Diabetes.	1	-	34. Road Traffic.	2	-
			35. Other Violent Causes	2	2
			36. All other Causes.	19	25
TOTAL	33	38	TOTAL	114	111

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There has been no serious outbreak of infectious disease in the district during the year. The largest number of cases of any one disease notified was that of Whooping Cough, which occurred in late summer and autumn.

The numbers of children immunised against Diphtheria in the area has shown a sharp rise during the year, as compared with the previous year, and sessions for re-immunisation were held in most schools in the area. The co-operation of the school authorities in this direction is much appreciated.

The position as regards Diphtheria Immunisation is considered very satisfactory.

Table II sets out Civilian Cases of Infectious Diseases notified.

TABLE II.

CIVILIAN CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED.

Pneumonia	9
Diphtheria	3
Scarlet Fever	17
Measles	10
Puerperal Pyrexia	1
Scarletina	2
Whooping Cough	40
Para Typhoid Fever	1
Chicken Pox	1
Erysipelas	5

TUBERCULOSIS.

The position as regards Tuberculosis is set out in Table III.

TABLE III.

TUBERCULOSIS.

	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Total.
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
Number of cases living in Kerrier 1st Jan, 1946.	44	33	16	19	112
Number of New Cases..... notified.	5	8	-	1	14
Number of Deaths.....	3	8	2	1	14
Added to Register.....	-	3	2	1	6
Number of cases living in Kerrier 31st Dec,1946	46	36	16	20	118

FACTORIES ACT.

INSPECTIONS.

1.

Premises. (1)	M/C Line No. (2)	No. on Register (3)	Number of Inspections. (4)	Number of Written Notices. (5)	Occupiers Prosecuted (6)	M/C Line No. (7)
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2,3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	1	32	54	NIL.	NIL.	1.
(2) Factories not included in (1) to which Section 7 applies. (A) Subject to the Local Authorities (Transfer of Enforcement) Order 1938.	2	88	92	1	NIL	2
(B) Others.	3	-	-	-	-	3
(3) Other Premises under the Act (excluding out workers Premises)	4	-	-	-	-	4
TOTAL	-	120	146	1	NIL	-

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars. (1)	M/C Line No. (2)	Number of Cases in which Defects were found. Found. (3)	Remedied. (4)	Referred. To H.M. Inspector (5)	By H.M. Inspector. (6)	No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted. (7)	M/C Line No. (8)
Want of Cleanliness.							
Overcrowding.							
Unreasonable Temperature.							
Inadequate Ventilation.							
Ineffective drainage of floors.							
Sanitary Conveniences. A. Insufficient		1	1		1	nil.	
B. Unsuitable or Defective.							
C. Not separate for sexes.							
Other offences (Not including offences relating to Homework).							
TOTAL.		1	1		1	Nil.	

WATER SUPPLY.

TABLE IV.

Villages served by piped supply:-

Coverack, Lizard, Mullion, Leedstown, Nancegollan, Praze, Trewennack, Constantine, Ponsanooth, and Mawnan Smith.

(1) The water supply generally throughout the District is far from satisfactory in either quantity or quality. The exceptions to this are Mullion, Leedstown, Ponsanooth, Praze, Constantine and parts of the Lizard and Coverack.

(2) No chemical analysis taken. The supplies at Constantine (Twice) have been sampled for Bacteriological analysis, Class 1.

(3) No water known to be Plumbo Solvent.

(4) Where water as a result of analysis is found to be contaminated warning notices are posted requesting people to boil the water.

(5)

VILLAGE	PIPED TO HOUSE.		STAND PIPE.	
	People	Houses.	People	Houses.
Mullion.	578	146	NIL.	
Ponsanooth.	~~174~~ 22	~~48~~ 6	249 97	~~31~~ 13
Lizard.	~~126~~ 40	~~28~~ 12	224 ~~138~~	~~34~~ 50
Praze.	265	64	NIL.	
Nancegollan.	106	32	NIL.	
Constantine.	158	44	146	39
Mawnan Smith.	172	48	NIL.	
Leedstown.	128	31	NIL.	
Coverack.	235	54	NIL.	

TABLE V.

No new works of sewerage were carried out during the year but an additional length of 110 linear yards of 6" stoneware sewer was laid and completed at The Lizard in the Parish of Landewednack.

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